

Lomita-San Pedro Council

By Mrs. Richard Groverman
The third joint meeting of the PTA presidents and principals of Lomita-San Pedro PTA Council was held January 9 at Bandini School with Mrs. Walter Talley, chairman; Mrs. William Shier, contributing guest; Mr. Thomas S. McNeill, guide; and Mrs. Robert Graves, recorder.
An interchange of ideas, discussion of various problems and their solutions afforded a very interesting and informative conference.
Principals and PTA presidents were present from the following schools: Bandini, Barton Hill, Cabrillo, Crestwood, Fifteenth St., Halldale, Harbor

Display Broadway Store Scale Model

A scale model of the Broadway-Hale Department Store is now on display in the Torrance Chamber of Commerce office, 1345 El Prado.
The giant major department store will be a part of the \$40 million Del Amo shopping center at Sepulveda and Hawthorne boulevards, construction is now underway, officials said.
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Sale of savings bonds goes up

An upward trend was noted in December sales of series E and H savings bonds in Southern California.
R. H. Moulton, Southern California savings bonds chairman, today disclosed that December sales of \$12,997,484 compare with \$12,664,584 in December a year ago.
The calendar year ended with sales of \$176,160,966. E and H sales during 1956 were \$196,300,367.
In Los Angeles county, December sales of \$9,527,987 brought the year's total to \$130,094,622.

Nominations open for Torrance 'Man of the Year'

All civic-minded Torrance residents should be considering who to nominate as the "Distinguished Citizen of 1957."
The award has been given each year since 1953 by the chamber to the citizen of Torrance whose achievements have been significant to the community and to the general welfare of the people of Torrance.
The program is sponsored in the memory of two departed civic leaders... Dr. William I. Laughlin and Grover C. Whyte, and will be presented as a highlight of the chamber's annual banquet, February 25. Sam Levy, the 1956 winner, will present the award and serve as chairman.
The project is designed to arouse public awareness in civic activity and to illustrate the opportunities available for dedicated community action.
Nominations are open to all fields, and the nomination blanks will be mailed soon to all chamber members and Torrance organizations.
Past winners, in addition to Levy, include Mervin M. Schwab (1953), Paul D. Loranger (1954) and Dean L. Sears (1955).
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Charles E. Chapel Sacramento report

SPUTNIK AND AID
The president of the United States has indicated that he wants the congress of the United States to appropriate about \$1 billion for education over a 4-year period, at the end of which time it is hoped that the states and local governments can carry forward the program constructed on a foundation of several propositions or policies. These are: (1) scholarship and fellowship grants; (2) state grants for testing, guidance, and improvement of centers for teaching foreign languages; and (3) scientific research.
This new program of federal aid to education was started when the Russians sent their sputnik into the air and it was found that the United States has failed to develop, or at least has failed to fire successfully, a satellite. Now the question is: Is money the answer to this problem? We can rephrase the question by asking: Has the lack of money held back our progress in this phase of scientific research and development and put us in a place second to that of Russia?
You know and I know that the lack of money in itself is not the problem, that the real problem is the lack of trained mathematicians, physicists, and other scientists to do the work.
The United States already has many scientists outstanding in medicine, physics, chemistry, nuclear physics, and the social and life sciences. These scientists were not produced by a "crash" program of spending money but by finding and encouraging young men and women who devoted long, hard years of their lives to education and research. Now we are encouraged to believe that money alone will bring forth more dedicated young people to become teachers of science, research specialists, and production experts. This is a purely materialistic approach. Money alone will not produce the hearts and minds that America needs so badly.
Census figures show that between 1952 and 1957 the enrollment of colleges and professional institutions increased 1.2 million and in 1958 is more than 3 million. California has a state scholarship program. Many foundations and institutions, including factories, have provided generous scholarships for young people. The point we are making here is that scholarships and fellowships are not enough, and money is not enough. If we do not obtain the results we are seeking.
A scholarship or fellowship, no matter how generous, in itself will not produce a great teacher, a great scientist, or a great statesman. Such great people are the result of the correct selection of his courses of study, the ideals which motivate him, and the soul which is formed within his body.
Our contention is that when the United States spends money in a program of federal aid to education, it should not be spent merely for the sake of spending it in a "crash program." It should be spent wisely. Perhaps one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) is not enough, but it is too much if it is wasted through the careless selection of recipients of scholarships, a selection of silly courses which do not lead to the desired end, and a failure to inspire young men and women to dedicate their lives to the United States of America.
Another problem is which colleges and universities are to be favored in the award of scholarships and fellowships. It can be argued that only state institutions, such as the University of California at Berkeley and

Los Angeles, should receive federally assisted students, but what about California Institute of Technology, Leland Stanford University, the University of Southern California, Loyola university, and other colleges and universities which already have facilities, laboratories, and classrooms especially organized for teaching mathematics and science? Then we have the state colleges and the state junior colleges to consider.
In a "crash program" of \$1 billion, which comes out of your pocket and mine, let us hope that we do not fall into the error of fighting about "who gets the gravy." Let us remember that our final and complete objective is the maintenance of our way of life, that we want results and should not quarrel about the means of attaining our grand objective.
If you agree with me, it is not necessary to tell me so, but you should write to Cong. Cecil R. King, House Office Building, Washington, D. C.; to Sen. William F. Knowland, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.; and Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. If you do not agree with me, or disagree in part, write to me at Postoffice Box 777, Inglewood 5, California.

Edward Clayton

World at a glance

'MAN OF THE YEAR'
The naming of Nikita Khrushchev by Time and Life magazines as the "man of the year" reminds us that not so many years ago that same recognition was accorded to one Adolph Hitler. Of course, the selection of a Kremlin leader as man of the year does not mean or imply an approval of him by Time and Life or of his policies. Nor was it so in the case of Hitler. It is simply a recognition of achievement... even achievement that might bode ill for the free world. But there is some comfort in the fact that the mighty of one year may well be among the missing of the next. And not just from "natural" causes. Men who build power by the sword may at any time fall victim of the sword. So it was in the case of Hitler. We shall not counteract the threat which the fat man in the Kremlin poses merely through wishful thinking. But even while we work to build our defenses we should not forget that real and lasting strength stems not from the explosive power of a bomb or the speed of an intercontinental missile. It lies in spiritual values. And in that field Comrade Khrushchev is at a distinct disadvantage. Also the whole Communist party and its philosophy, Time and truth will prove this beyond any doubt.

TV AND BASEBALL

Baseball is not merely the major leagues. It includes the many minor circuits which help to discover and develop talent for the big time as well as provide entertainment for the fans in many communities. Now, the plan to televise nationally a major league game each Sunday as well as Saturday in the coming season seems to strike at the very existence of many of these smaller leagues. Fans who can see a major game on the home screen are less likely to pass it up in favor of watching the local lads go through their paces. In 1949 before television came into wide use for broadcasting sporting events, the minor leagues in the United States drew 41 million customers. Last year the attendance was 17 million. Next year it may well reach the vanishing point with further television competition. Some day the moguls of the major leagues may realize that in cutting the throats of the minor leagues with their television competition they've also been cutting their own.
THRIFT WEEK
Benjamin Franklin in his long career proved himself a most versatile man... printer, philosopher, economist, diplomat, writer, inventor and what-have-you? Every year when his birthday anniversary rolls around Ben is well remembered. For instance, the printing industry which is one of the very biggest of all American industries hails him as its patron saint. Many patriotic societies honor his memory for his many contributions to the American Colonies, to their fight for freedom and their greater fight for stability after freedom was won. Also at the anniversary of his birth, National Thrift Week is observed stressing Franklin's economic wisdom and the desirability of applying it now. Ben said that there were just two ways of making money... either working for it or letting the money you have work for it. What interest rates were in his day, we don't know, but the saver of today finds substantial rewards for his thrift, for even with the greatest safety and availability for his money he can still earn three per cent interest. Last year, savings bank depositors in California earned an estimated \$200 million on their funds.

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Fires set by arsonists burn valuable watershed

"The San Gabriel Canyon forest fire, near Morris dam last September 8, was started by an arsonist. It destroyed 2565 acres of one of the most valuable watersheds in the county," Angeles National Forest Supervisor Richard F. Droege stated recently.
"That was nearly as much watershed as was destroyed by all fires in 1956 in the Angeles. We lost 3340 acres to man-caused fires last year," he added.
"In contrast, the only naturally caused fire in 1956, started by lightning, destroyed about one half acre of watershed," he said.
WATERSHED
Commenting on arson in county watershed areas, Lt. Carl F. Morrison, head of the sheriff's arson detail, said: "Fires started by deliberate arson accounted for a startling 18 per cent of the total man-caused fires in this county in 1956. The San Gabriel Canyon fire illustrates the menacing role of arsonists in our watersheds."
Robert T. Radford, chairman county watershed commission, recently reported to the commission, "Last year, the four forests in Southern California accounted for 24.8 per cent of all acreage burned in United States national forests."
FOUR FORESTS
These four forests, the Angeles, San Bernardino, Los Padres, and Cleveland, all are located in areas where population is skyrocketing and the threat of floods in the rainy season is especially acute.
Besides acting as a flood prevention agent, these forests benefit the underground water supply inestimably. Wells all ways have been an important source of water in Southern California. These sources gradually have been depleted as they have been made to serve increasing numbers of people, and as the woodlands, where water enters the soil, have been removed for other uses, or destroyed by fire.
"I feel that eventually we can

educate people into proper methods of using fire in the forests," Morrison said. "For some years now we have had an education program aimed at school children in the lower grades. It is still too early to evaluate results, but when these children have grown up we expect them to be extremely fire-conscious."
"Even more important," he added, "these children are the parents of tomorrow. Being fire-conscious, they will teach their children the dangers of forest fires at the very impressionable pre-school age."
MENACE
"Unfortunately, in the realm of arson, there is little we can do through education. Instead, we are trying to make citizens aware of the menace the arsonist represents, and have them report suspicious, furtive behavior to a sheriff's deputy or to a forest ranger station before the fire has a chance to act."
"Our program is a long range one, but I think it will begin paying big dividends in the near future," he concluded.

HOSPITAL ADDITION

Marking further expansion of the cardiac program at the City of Hope Medical Center in Duarte, a new Section of Cardiology has been established and Max Harry Weil, M.D., Ph.D., has been named Chief of this section.

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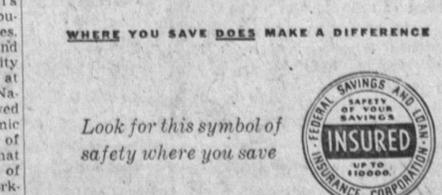


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